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ABINGTON TOWNSHIP
2021-2022
Fall & Winter
ACTIVITIES GUIDE

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Briar Bush Nature Center
1212 Edge Hill Road
Abington, PA 19001

Alverthorpe Park
498 Forrest Avenue
Jenkintown, PA 19046

Ardsley Community Center
2828 Spear Avenue
Ardsley, PA 19038

Crestmont Community Clubhouse
2595 Rubicam Avenue
Willow Grove, PA 19090

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

REGISTRATION DATES

Registration for Parks and Recreation programs beginning in September will open Friday, September 3, 2021. All other Parks and Recreation programs registration will open on Wednesday, September 8, 2021. Please note, registration for Soccer Shots is now open at www.soccershots.org. Nothing stops a program in its tracks faster than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. Many of our programs need a minimum number of participants to run, so a program may be canceled if there are not enough registrants. A minimum number of participants must be reached at least one week prior to the program beginning.

REGISTRATION POLICY

Please complete the registration and waiver forms on PAGES 24 - 26 or [REGISTER ONLINE](https://apm.activecommunities.com/abingtonparksandrec) at apm.activecommunities.com/abingtonparksandrec. You will be considered registered for a program only after the proper forms and fees are received by the Parks and Recreation Department before the stated deadline. You will not receive a confirmation unless otherwise noted. Registrations without accompanying fees will NOT be accepted. If you mail a registration in, the registration will be entered at the end of the work day. Non-residents may have a delayed registration start date and/or a higher registration fee.

COVID-19 POLICY AND CANCELLATIONS

All activities will follow COVID-19 safety measures. Each vendor has submitted a COVID-19 mitigation plan that has been reviewed and approved by the Township's Exposure Control Officer. All programs are subject to cancellation due to COVID-19 related restrictions or outbreaks. The Township's COVID-19 Assumption of Risk and Release form must be completed by every participant for each activity prior to participation. To complete the form online, please visit www.abingtonpa.gov/prwaivers.

MAIL-IN OR IN- PERSON REGISTRATION

Abington Parks & Recreation

515 Meetinghouse Road
Jenkintown, PA 19046

Monday - Thursday
8 AM - 4 PM

Friday by appointment only
215-576-5213

Ardsley Community Center Programs/Rentals

2828 Spear Ave
Ardsley, PA 19038

Monday - Friday
9 AM - 5 PM,

Closed for lunch from 1 PM - 2 PM
215-576-1630

Briar Bush Nature Center

1212 Edge Hill Road
Abington, PA 19001

215-887-6603

PAYMENT FOR PROGRAM

Payment is due at the time of registration. You may pay by Visa, Master Card, Discover, American Express, branded debit card, cash, or check. Checks should be made payable to "ABINGTON TOWNSHIP". All returned checks will be assessed a fee of \$25.00. If it is a Briar Bush Nature Center program (pages 12 - 14), please make checks payable to: "FRIENDS OF BRIAR BUSH". Separate checks are encouraged. List all participants in the family on one form but send a separate check for each program. This way if one program is full, it does not affect everyone, since payment must be processed in order to be considered registered in a program.

CANCELLATION OF PROGRAM

Weather and other conditions may force us to cancel or postpone a program. The Department will make every effort to make the decision as early as possible. If there is any question about the status of a program, please call our office at 215-576-5213 between 8 AM and 4 PM.

REFUND POLICY

A 20% service fee will be charged for ALL refund requests. Requests must be made at least five (5) business days before a program or thirty (30) days before a trip is scheduled to begin. There will be no service fee if the refund amount is applied to a future program within the calendar year or the program is cancelled by the Township. Refunds will not be issued once the program begins, or within the date range specified above. ALL refunds will be returned by check.

PHOTO POLICY

On occasion, we may take photos or video of individuals enrolled in programs or using parks facilities. Please be aware that these images are for Township use and may be used in future promotional materials.

SCHOOL DISTRICT DISCLAIMER

The Abington School Board of Directors assumes no responsibilities for the opinions, information, and possible typographical errors and omissions, etc., that may be reflected in this flyer/brochure.

RECEIPTS

Receipts needed for tax or child care credit must be requested at the time of payment. Receipts will not be provided after the initial transaction.

SPECIAL EVENTS AND TRIPS

ABINGTON, PENNSYLVANIA - 100 YEARS AGO

Want to learn about Abington's past? Please join us as we take a glimpse into the past of what Abington looked like 100 years ago. This session is presented by David Rowland, Old York Road Historical Society President.

Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse, 2595 Rubicam Ave.
Date:	Thursday, September 30, 2021
Time:	7 PM
Cost:	Free (must pre-register)

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Looking for a fun Halloween event for the whole family? Join us at Crestmont Park for the 1st Trunk-or-Treat! Whether you want to wow the crowd with a fantastically decorated trunk or walk around and collect candy, you will not want to miss this. Prizes will be awarded. Pre-registration is required for decorators. *Candy not appropriate for children under 3 years of age.*

Location:	Crestmont Park
Date:	Saturday, October 16, 2021 (Rain date: Sunday, October 17)
Age:	3 - 12 years old/Any age to walk around
Time:	Decorators arrive at 4 PM All others arrive at 5 PM
Cost:	Decorators: \$25 per vehicle (includes candy for up to 50 trick-or-treaters) Please note: Participants must pre-register in order to decorate their vehicle



HOLIDAY DROP AND SHOP

Can't find time to get away from the kids to do some holiday shopping? Don't want to take them with you and possibly spoil their surprise gift? Bring them to Ardsley Community Center for some fun and activities. The program will include a movie, games, pizza, popcorn and drink.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Date:	Sunday, December 12, 2021
Age:	6-10 years old
Time:	1 PM - 4 PM
Cost:	\$20 per child

SPORTS EQUIPMENT SWAP

Looking to clean out some of your children's sports equipment? Look no further! Abington Parks and Recreation will be collecting and distributing used sports equipment back into the community. Bring your new or gently used (in good condition) sports equipment to the drop-off and pick out some other equipment. You do not need to donate in order to take items.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center Gymnasium
Date:	Saturday, March 19, 2022
Time:	8 AM - 9 AM (Drop off equipment) 9 AM - 11:30 AM (Shop for equipment)
Cost:	Free



ALVERTHORPE PARK EGG HUNT

Location:	Alverthorpe Park
Date:	Saturday, April 2, 2022
Age:	Preschool - 4th Grade
Time:	10 AM SHARP
Cost:	Free

HISTORY OF WILLOW GROVE PARK

Willow Grove Park Mall was built in 1896 and set the standard for providing first-class entertainment and amusement to all who came. Come travel back to a time and place where life was a lark while at the Willow Grove Park. Presented by the Old York Road Historical Society President, David Rowland.

Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse 2595 Rubicam Ave.
Date:	Thursday, April 28, 2022
Time:	7 PM
Cost:	Free (Must pre-register)

SPECIAL EVENTS AND TRIPS

RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

The Parks and Recreation Department will be traveling to New York City for some shopping/sightseeing and the annual Christmas show at the Radio City Music Hall featuring the Rockettes. The bus will leave from Alverthorpe Park main gate at 7 AM and arrive in New York City at approximately 9:15 AM. The show will begin at 2 PM. Before the show you will be able to be on your own to shop, sight see, etc. in the city. The bus will leave promptly after the show from a location determined that morning. Our seats are confirmed to be in the Orchestra section. Don't miss this wonderful show.

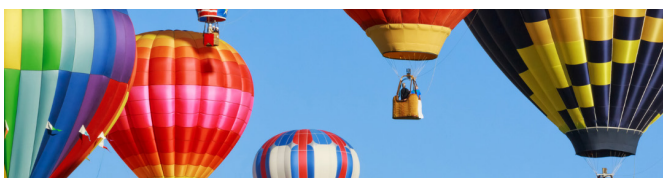
Date:	Tuesday, December 7, 2021
Time:	Depart Alverthorpe Park at 7 AM Arrive back at Alverthorpe Park around 7 PM
Cost:	\$120 per person (includes bus & ticket)



CALIFORNIA RAIL DISCOVERY

A crimson bridge, cable cars, a sparkling bay, and streets lined with elegant Victorian homes—San Francisco is undeniably one of the world's great cities. Reason enough to join us on a spectacular seven-day journey through Northern California on the California Rail Discovery. Begin your trip with a two night stay in the Fisherman's Wharf area of San Francisco. A tour of the "City by the Bay" will show the city's many highlights & features a San Francisco Bay Cruise for spectacular views of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz and the beautiful skyline. The rest of the day is at leisure to let you explore this great city on your own. The next day cross the Golden Gate Bridge & travel into Napa Valley Wine Country to board the famous Napa Valley Wine Train for lunch. Relive history as you roll through the Napa Valley onboard vintage Pullman railcars – this is sure to be a highlight. Then experience a Winery Tour & Tasting before heading onto Sacramento for an overnight stay. Drive through Old Sacramento, a unique 28-acre National Historic Landmark District that lives in homage to California's Gold Rush of 1849. Continuing your travels, board another train, Amtrak's California Zephyr, which heads east into the spectacular snow-capped Sierra Nevada Mountains and disembark in Truckee near Lake Tahoe. Enjoy three nights at a resort in Lake Tahoe in the scenic and popular South Lake Tahoe area. Discover Reno & its National Auto Museum and the historic town of Virginia City, once considered the richest city in America during its Old West mining days. Enjoy a Lake Tahoe Paddle Wheeler Cruise for breathtaking scenery & Emerald Bay exploration. Finally, a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant will cap off your western adventure. Please review the itinerary details and count the extras. With roundtrip airfare included, we hope you can join us and agree this is an amazing and exciting trip.

Dates:	September 14 - 20, 2022
Cost:	\$3,250 per person (with deposit of \$300 per person to secure reservations and final payment paid within 75 days prior to departure).
Booking Discount:	\$400 per couple/\$200 per person discount if final payment is made by check prior to final payment due date.



ALBUQUERQUE BALLOON FIESTA

Travel with us to the Land of Enchantment to enjoy New Mexico's beautiful landscapes, history and architecture. A highlight will be the world famous Albuquerque Balloon Festival, the world's largest & most famous hot air ballooning event. Witness the Mass Ascension, which includes over 500 balloons taking to the sky. Also experience the balloons up close and illuminated on solid ground during the Balloon Glow. Enjoy 3 nights in Santa Fe, founded in 1607 making it America's oldest state capital city and 3rd oldest continuously inhabited U.S. city. Enjoy a Santa Fe City Tour with a local guide featuring the Santa Fe Plaza, the Palace of the Governor's, built in 1610, and a visit to the Loretto Chapel to learn of its mysterious past. Santa Fe is part of the UNESCO Creative City Network as one of the most important art markets in the world, and is renowned for its beauty, Pueblo-style architecture & museums. Learn more about New Mexico's Native American history and culture with visits to the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center and The Taos Pueblo. The Taos Pueblo is a UNESCO World Heritage Site featuring ancient Pueblo homes which have been continuously inhabited for over 1,000 years. A few of the other attractions during this program include Old Town Albuquerque, the "High Road to Taos" & Los Alamos Bradbury Museum, which tells the story of this isolated town and its role in the Manhattan Project. Please review the itinerary details and keep in mind that roundtrip airfare is included in the tour price. We hope that you can join us on this incredible trip!

Dates:	October 7 - 12, 2022
Cost:	\$2,775 per person (with deposit of \$300 per person to secure reservations and final payment paid within 75 days prior to departure).
Booking Discount:	\$400 per couple/\$200 per person discount if final payment is made by check prior to final payment due date.

To learn more about these exciting trips, please join us for an informational session:

Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse 2595 Rubicam Ave. Willow Grove, PA 19090
Date:	Wednesday, October 6, 2021
Time:	5 PM

YOUTH PROGRAMS

SOCCER SHOTS

Soccer Shots is an engaging children’s soccer program with a focus on character development. We positively impact children’s lives on and off the field through our best-in-class coaching, communication, and curriculum.

Soccer Shots Mini (2- 3 yrs old) is a high-energy program introducing children to fundamental soccer principles, such as using your feet, dribbling, and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs, and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active.

Soccer Shots Classic (3 - 5 yrs old) utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing, and shooting. We also highlight a positive character trait in each session, such as respect, teamwork, and appreciation.

Soccer Shots Premier (5 - 8 yrs old) focuses on individual skill, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing children with an opportunity to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner.

Please register **ONLINE** at www.soccershots.org. Registration is open now. Please note, there is a \$35 annual registration fee.

SESSION I

Location:	Ardsey Community Center - Outdoors
Date:	Wednesdays, September 8 - October 20
Age:	2 to 3 years old
Time:	5:10 PM - 5:40 PM
Age:	3 to 5 years old
Time:	5 PM - 5:40 PM
	5:55 PM - 6:35 PM
Age:	5 to 8 years old
Time:	5:55 PM - 6:35 PM
Cost:	\$110
Make Up Dates:	October 27 & November 3

SESSION II

Location:	Ardsey Community Center - Outdoors
Date:	Saturdays, September 11 - October 30 No class October 23
Age:	2 to 3 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:15 AM
	9:40 AM - 10:10 AM
Age:	3 to 5 years old
Time:	8:45 AM - 9:25 AM
	9:30 AM - 10:10 AM
	10:25 AM - 11:05 AM
	11:20 AM - 12:00 PM
Age:	5 to 8 years old
Time:	10:25 AM - 11:05 AM
	11:20 AM - 12:00 PM
Cost:	\$110
Make Up Dates:	November 6 & November 13

SESSION III

Location:	Ardsey Community Center - Outdoors
Date:	Sundays, September 12 - October 31 No class October 24
Age:	2 to 3 years old
Time:	2 PM - 2:30 PM
Age:	3 to 5 years old
Time:	2:45 PM - 3:25 PM
	3:40 PM - 4:20 PM
Age:	5 to 8 years old
Time:	2:45 PM - 3:25 PM
	3:40 PM - 4:20 PM
Cost:	\$110
Make Up Dates:	November 7 & November 14



YOUTH PROGRAMS

CHILDREN'S WATERCOLOR

Instructor Melissa Olson will guide participants through creative projects with watercolor paints. Exploring color, design, and technique each week, young artists of all skill levels are encouraged in their own creative development. Please bring a water bottle and wear "worry free" clothes and/or a smock or large t-shirt. Each participant will receive a watercolor kit to keep.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	8 - 11 years old
Time:	4 PM - 5:15 PM
Dates:	Wednesdays, September 22 - October 27, 2021
Cost:	\$135 R / \$145 NR



AIKIDO

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Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	7 - 11 years old
Time:	6:30 PM - 7:15 PM
Dates:	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
Session I:	January 4 - February 24, 2022
Session II:	March 1 - April 21, 2022 *No Class April 14
Cost:	1 day per week \$100 per person 2 or 3 days per week \$150 per person

I9 CHEERLEADING CLINIC

Participants will learn the fundamentals of cheerleading through a mix of age appropriate cheers, chants, and dances. They will receive an I9Sports participant shirt, snacks, trophy and end of week celebration including a performance for their families on the last day of clinics.

Please register **ONLINE** at www.i9sports.com

Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	4 - 12 years old
Time:	9 AM - 12 PM
Session I:	Saturdays, January 8, 15, 22, 29
Session II:	Saturdays, February 12, 19, 26, March 5
Cost:	\$145 per person

BEGINNER'S CAMPING WORKSHOP

Join us at Alverthorpe Park Campground for a day (and night) of hands-on learning! Whether you're a first-time camper or just getting back into a tent, you'll enjoy this informative workshop as we dive into the basics of tent camping. Tent camping is a great way to enjoy nature with your friends and family, but knowledge and preparation can make for an even better experience. We'll cover packing for a camping trip, setting up tents, fire-building, cooking meals, and more! Saturday dinner and snacks are included as well as Sunday breakfast with your overnight stay, all of which you will be shown how to cook over an open fire! (No experience necessary. Staying overnight is not required. A packing list will be sent after registration.)

Location:	Alverthorpe Park Campgrounds
Age:	All ages
Date:	September 25-26, 2021 Rain date: October 2-3
Times:	1 PM Saturday to 11 AM Sunday
Cost:	\$65 per group of 4 participants (residents only) \$10 each additional participant

CHILDREN'S CRAFT NIGHT

Get in the winter spirit! Join us as we create wintery crafts from snowflakes to snowmen! Participants will enjoy warm hot chocolate and a snack while creating their crafts.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	6 - 10 years old
Time:	6 PM - 7:30 PM
Dates:	Friday, November 19, 2021
Cost:	\$15 per person

YOUTH PROGRAMS

BABYSITTING WORKSHOP

This certification course provides participants with confidence and skills to care for youngsters. Prospective employers will be happy to hire babysitters who have acquired this official recognition. Upon completion of the course, you will receive an ARC Certification Card, an informational CD –ROM, as well as child care concepts. You must attend the entire course, pass the evaluation, and show the maturity to properly care for children. Please bring a lunch, snack, water bottle, pen & notebook.

Location:	Crestmont Clubhouse
Age:	11-16 years old
Time:	9 AM - 3 PM
Date:	Saturday, February 5, 2022
Cost:	\$75 R / \$85 NR

THEATRE ART WORKSHOPS

Whether outgoing or timid, children come wanting to learn more about Theatre Arts, and a love of singing, acting or dance. Through the process of learning all disciplines, they also gain confidence in themselves & respect for others. We love teaching life skills. We instruct kids to not compete with each other but rather learn about how talents can complement one another. We love that our students cheer for each other through our positive and encouraging atmosphere.

Performance Workshop (Ages 7-10 years) - This 4 week performing workshop features lessons in singing, acting and dance as well as what it takes to be a member of the stage crew. Students will learn how to be a "triple threat" and what it takes to put on a show from behind the curtain.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria
Age:	7 - 10 years old
Time:	5 PM - 6 PM
Date:	Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, & 30
Cost:	\$140 per person

Performance Workshop (ages 11-16 years) - This workshop features lessons on singing, acting, and dance as well as tips and tricks for auditioning. The goal is to gain skills and confidence so that you shine during your next performance.

Location:	Ardsley Community Center Cafeteria
Age:	11-16 years old
Time:	6 PM - 7 PM
Date:	Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, & 30
Cost:	\$140 per person

I9 SPORTS 2022 SPRING BASKETBALL LEAGUE

This league focuses on learning new skills, practicing good sportsmanship and having fun!

- Ages 3-4 years: Age-instructional leagues will teach the fundamentals of the game through play.
- 3-4 year olds will play for 1 hour per week.
- For participants 5-17 years of age- Divisions will be created within 2 years of age, created after registration deadline, based on the number of registrations. Participants will practice 30 minutes and then play 5 v 5 full court basketball games.
- 5-17 years old will play for 1.5 hours.

Please register **ONLINE** at www.i9sports.com

Location:	Alverthorpe Park Basketball Court
Date:	Saturdays, April 9 - May 21, 2022
Age:	Boys & Girls - 3 to 4 years old
Time:	9 AM - 11 AM
Age:	Boys & Girls - 5 to 17 years old
Time:	11 AM - 5 PM
Cost:	\$145 per person



ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT (Ages 18+)

ADULT INTRODUCTORY TENNIS

Tennis is truly a lifetime sport. Whether you have never had real instruction, forgot what you once knew, or never picked up a racquet, this clinic is for you. Truly an instructional clinic, we will build your game from the ground up, and work some games in along the way to keep the learning fun and engaging. Play will be outdoors and social distancing steps will be taken. Come learn a love for this awesome sport! Participants will need to bring a racquet and water bottle. All other equipment will be provided.

Location:	Session I: Crestmont Park Tennis Courts Session II: Penbryn Park Tennis Courts
Age:	18+ years old
Time:	Session I: Tuesdays, 11 AM - 12:25 PM Session II: Wednesdays, 10:30 AM - 11:55 AM
Session I:	Tuesdays, October 5, 12, 19 & 26
Session II:	Wednesdays, October 6, 13, 20, & 27
Cost:	\$100 per person, per session



60+ TENNIS

Love the game but can't quite cover the court like before? Looking to try something new? Tennis 60+ is tennis on a slightly smaller court. 60' to be exact. The tennis balls are designed to stay on a court this size as well as allow for real swings but at slightly slower speeds. It is a great way to stay in the sport when your legs aren't quite what they used to be. Participants should bring racquets and water; all other equipment will be provided.

Location:	Session I: Crestmont Park Tennis Courts Session II: Roychester Park Tennis Courts
Age:	60+ years old
Time:	Session I: Tuesdays, 9:30 AM - 10:55 AM Session II: Thursdays, 11 AM - 12:25 AM
Session I:	Tuesdays, October 5, 12, 19 & 26 (Rain makeups on Fridays)
Session II:	Thursdays, October 7, 14, 21 & 28 (Rain makeups on Fridays)
Cost:	\$100 per person, per session



PICKLEBALL 101

Pickleball has been around for 50 years, but its popularity has grown in the last decade. This sport is easily accessible and much simpler to pick up than many racquet sports. Come enjoy learning both the techniques and skills required to be successful on the court. Participants need paddles and a water bottle, all other equipment will be provided. TopSpin can help you acquire paddles in advance if needed.

Location:	Penbryn Park Tennis Courts
Age:	18+ years old
Time:	Session I: 9 AM - 10:25 AM Session II: 9 AM - 10:25 AM
Session I:	Wednesdays, October 6, 13, 20 & 27 (Rain makeups on Fridays)
Session II:	Thursdays, October 7, 14, 21 & 28 (Rain makeups on Fridays)
Cost:	\$100 per person, per session



ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT WATERCOLOR

Watercolor painting with Instructor Melissa Olson is open to all skill levels. Surrounded by the lovely woods of Alverthorpe Park, come learn a new skill or refresh an old one within a friendly and supportive environment. Practice fundamental watercolor techniques and discover the lively and expressive possibilities of watercolor. Independent painting with critique of ongoing work encourages you to explore your own artistic style. **Note: Purchase of materials may be necessary. Please bring any watercolor paints, brushes, and paper you already have to the first class and receive recommendations for additional materials.**

Location:	Alverthorpe Park Fox Chase Road Pavilion
Age:	18+ years old
Time:	9:45 AM - 12:15 PM
Session I:	Tuesdays, September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, & 26
Session II:	Wednesdays, September 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, & 27
Cost:	\$150 R / \$160 NR



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Location:	Ardsley Community Center
Age:	18+ years old
Time:	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Dates:	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
Session I:	January 4 - February 24, 2022
Session II:	March 1 - April 21, 2022 *No Class April 14
Cost:	1 day per week \$100 per person
	2 or 3 days per week \$150 per person



A.R.C.A.T. INFORMATION

ARCAT (Alverthorpe Retired Citizens of Abington Township) is a senior group for those who live in Abington Township and the surrounding area and who are at least 55 years old. ARCAT began over 50 years ago and is run by a staff of volunteers under the sponsorship of Abington Township Parks and Recreation. Members have the opportunity to enjoy trips and tours designed with seniors in mind. There is an annual fee of \$5.00 to join the group and members will be put on the ARCAT mailing list to receive newsletters, which will include the details of upcoming trips. To join, simply mail in the application found at the bottom of this page with the annual \$5.00 fee. For more information visit our website at www.abingtonpa.gov/PR or call Abington Township Parks and Recreation at 215-576-5213. For questions regarding trips, please call Marge Barder at 215-517-8050.



A.R.C.A.T. (Ages 55+)

2022 Program Includes:

- General meetings at the Ardsley Community Center
- Spring luncheon at Sandy Run Country Club
- Holiday Luncheon
- One-day bus trips

ARCAT 2022 Membership Application - Due January 1, 2022

\$5.00 per person (Memo section write ARCAT dues 2022)

**Mail to: Abington Township - Department of Parks and Recreation
515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046**

Name: _____

Address: _____ **Apt #:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail: _____

PAL/FIRE COMPANY OPEN HOUSES

ABINGTON POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE (PAL)

Abington Police Department's #1 Juvenile Crime and Violence Prevention Program!

Check www.abingtonpal.org for weekly activities, programs, online donations, & special events!! Like us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#) for updates throughout the activity year.

Location: Salem Baptist Church, 2801 Woodland Road, Roslyn: Enter on Pershing Avenue.

Hours: Most Fridays & Saturdays, 7 - 10 PM (except Holiday weekends) No one admitted after 8:30 PM.

For: Boys and girls age 11 through seniors in high school (membership expires on 19th birthday). Must be an Abington Township resident or attend school in Abington Township.

JOIN at any time. All previous members must re-register. Paperwork can be found on the PAL website. Please print, complete and bring to the PAL Center on any of the nights we are open. A parent/guardian must accompany the child to the PAL Center. Paperwork will also be available at the PAL Center. All applications will be processed through the Abington Township Police Department for membership.

FREE activities & programs.

Transportation: Available at designated locations.

FALL/ WINTER OFFERINGS

Abington PAL offers a wide variety of activities and off-site trips. They include but are not limited to:

TRIPS: Annual January snow tubing at Blue Mountain and more!

SPORTS: COPS vs. PAL member events - Basketball, dodgeball, kickball, ping pong, and pool tournaments

CRAFTS: Painting, jewelry making, wreath making and more

CLASSES: 5 week classes on various topics. Ex: knitting, tennis, and woodworking/tool skills

EDUCATIONAL: Cooking classes, Book Club, Jeopardy

MISC: Bingo, Pictionary challenge, trivia, jigsaw puzzles, movie nights, nail salon night, and holiday parties

SPECIAL EVENTS:

- Designer Bag BINGO on Friday, October 29, 2021
- Comedy show at the Keswick Theatre, Thursday, December 9, 2021
- Watch for details on our website and Facebook. For information email pal@abingtonpa.gov or call 267-536-1083.

Abington PAL receives no tax dollars but depends on contributions and fundraisers for support. **Abington PAL Is COPS and YOU Helping Kids!** Information: 267-536-1083. Email PAL@abington.org or visit www.abingtonpal.org Like us on [Facebook \(AbingtonPolicePAL\)](#), [Twitter \(@AbingtonPal\)](#), & [Instagram \(abingtonpal29\)](#).

FIRE COMPANY OPEN HOUSES

The open houses are held each year during Fire Prevention Week to allow residents to come to one of our five (5) all-volunteer fire houses to meet their neighbors who serve as volunteers with the ATFD. Residents will be able to see the trucks and equipment that our firefighters use to respond to emergency incidents every day. Additionally, they can meet the staff from the Abington Township Fire Marshal's Office to learn about fire prevention and fire safety. For our littlest residents, there is always plenty of fun giveaways to reinforce the safety messages that they get from the firefighters they meet at the open houses.

ABINGTON FIRE COMPANY



Address:	1920 Horace Ave., Abington
Date:	October 4, 2021
Time:	6 PM - 8 PM

MCKINLEY FIRE COMPANY



Address:	893 Jenkintown Rd., Elkins Park
Date:	October 5, 2021
Time:	6 PM - 8 PM

ROSLYN FIRE COMPANY



Address:	1128 Bradfield Rd., Roslyn
Date:	October 6, 2021
Time:	6 PM - 8 PM

WELDON FIRE COMPANY



Address:	412 N. Easton Rd., Glenside
Date:	October 7, 2021
Time:	6 PM - 8 PM

EDGE HILL FIRE COMPANY



Address:	2843 Limekiln Pike, North Hills
Date:	October 8, 2021
Time:	6 PM - 8 PM



BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

Briar Bush Nature Center is a rich oasis in the middle of suburban Abington Township. Our 12.5 acres feature over a mile of trails winding through a mixed deciduous/coniferous forest. Whether inside the museum or out on the trails, nature exploration happens at any time of the year.



Briar Bush

NATURE CENTER

Welcoming you to a world of wonders!



BECOME A MEMBER!

Friends of Briar Bush (FOBB) membership is available at many levels. Visit our website for more information.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP INCLUDE:

- Discounts on programs and summer camps
- Discounts in the Nature Shop
- Free, unlimited admission to the museum
- A subscription to our newsletter
- Invitations to our members-only events
- Ability to rent our facility for parties/celebrations
- Ability to book birthday party programs at our facility

COME EXPLORE OUR:

Nature Museum	Includes a variety of animal ambassadors, a play area dedicated to toddlers, and seasonal exhibits.
Forested Trails	12 acres with quiet winding woodland trails.
Griscom Bird Observatory	A peaceful cabin with a panoramic window looking out onto a bird habitat, and exhibits that highlight bird identification, migration, citizen science, and children's activities.
Nature Playscape	A natural play-area complete with a cave/tunnel, stumps, logs, and more!
Pond	Visit the pond during every season.
Group and Public Programs	For all ages! Abington Residents receive a 10% program discount. Friends of Briar Bush Members receive a 20% discount on most programs.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address: 1212 Edge Hill Road
Abington, PA 19001
Phone: 215-887-6603
Email: info@briarbush.org

MUSEUM HOURS

For current Briar Bush Nature Center Museum and Griscom Bird Observatory hours, call Briar Bush Nature Center Monday-Friday between 9 AM - 5 PM or visit our website www.briarbush.org.

MUSEUM ADMISSION

- Abington Residents: FREE
- Friends of Briar Bush Members: FREE
- Adults: \$3
- Children (2+ years-old): \$2



BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

MAGIC MORNINGS

Modified In-Person Program

Hey, toddlers! Bring your favorite adult to Briar Bush for walks, animal encounters, crafts, games, stories, and more. Each week features a new theme, which repeats throughout the week (register for one day per week). Masks are required for children 2+ and adults. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for Modified In-Person Programming.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Indoors/Outdoors
Date:	Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays September - June Check our website for dates.
Age:	2 to 4 year-olds with adult
Time:	September - November: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM December - March: 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM
Cost:	September - November: \$12/session December - March: \$10/session Discounts may apply.



NATURE PIONEERS

Modified In-Person Program

Children are invited to join us on their own for age-appropriate activities, walks, animal encounters, crafts, games, and more! Each week features a new theme, which repeats throughout the week (register for one day per week). Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for Modified In-Person Programming.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Indoors/Outdoors
Date:	Wednesdays and Thursdays September - June Check our website for dates.
Age:	4 to 6 year-olds
Time:	1 PM - 2:30 PM
Cost:	\$15/session Discounts may apply.

ESCAPE TO NATURE: AFTER-SCHOOL

Modified In-Person Program

Briar Bush Nature Center understands the importance of nature play and scientific discovery in a child's development. Our modified Escape to Nature: After School program allows us to continue offering an opportunity for children to safely experience the wonders of nature at their favorite backyard nature center while limiting the exposure and transmission of COVID-19. Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for In-Person Programming.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Tuesdays and Wednesdays September - June Check our website for dates.
Grade:	K-6
Time:	4 PM - 5:30 PM
Cost:	\$25/session Discounts may apply.

SCHOOL'S OUT? GET OUTSIDE!

Modified In-Person Program

When school is not in session, students can spend a day at Briar Bush exploring the outdoors, meeting live animals, making crafts, playing in nature, and more. Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for Modified In-Person Programming. Pack lunch and snacks.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Indoors/Outdoors
Date:	Check our website for available dates.
Grade:	K-6
Time:	8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Cost:	\$75/session Discounts may apply.

HOMESCHOOL SESSIONS

Modified In-Person Program

Enrich your homeschool science curriculum at Briar Bush! Homeschool students can join us for engaging lessons, live animal encounters, scientific discovery, nature play, and more. Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for In-Person Programming.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Mondays and Tuesdays September - May Check our website for dates.
Grade:	K-2 (Mondays) 3-6 (Tuesdays)
Time:	1 PM - 2:30 PM
Cost:	\$25/session Discounts may apply.

BRIAR BUSH NATURE CENTER

A WALK IN THE WOODS: GUIDED HIKES

Join Director Mark Fallon on interpretive hikes around Briar Bush and Alverthorpe Park. Visit our website for more information. *Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for In-Person Programming.*

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center or Alverthorpe Park Outdoors
Date:	Select Thursdays and Saturdays Check our website for program dates.
Age:	Tailored for Adults and Seniors
Time:	2 PM - 2:45 PM
Cost:	FREE/Friends of BBNC Members; \$5/others



VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

BBNC's Animal Ambassadors can visit your party, class, or even surprise your co-workers at a work meeting just to break up the monotony. Book your virtual event today!

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Live Zoom Stream to your computer, project to your promethium board, or cast to your TV
Date:	Available Daily
Age:	All Ages
Time:	Flexible
Cost:	Varies

FEATHER OUR NEST

Join the Briar Bush staff for a brilliant evening of friends, entertainment, food & drink to benefit Briar Bush programs during our annual gala & auction.

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.



WINTERFEST 2022

Come celebrate the winter season! The whole family is welcome to participate in winter-themed games, activities, crafts, and more! Visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603 for info.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center
Date:	Sunday, February 13, 2022
Age:	All Ages
Time:	1 PM - 4 PM
Cost:	Free!

GREAT ESCAPES

Join us in exploring natural and historic locations throughout the region. We'll be traveling by Briar Bush van to popular hotspots, local favorites, and places well off the beaten path.

Yuletide at Winterthur

Discover one of the Brandywine Valley's most spectacular holiday showcases! Yuletide at Winterthur embraces the warmth and festivity of the season with a magnificent tour of Henry Francis du Pont's mansion. Experience breathtaking trees, dazzling room displays, a magical dollhouse, and the mischievous Belsnickel, a gift giver from German folklore closely related to Ol' Saint Nick. You'll have the opportunity to shop, dine, and immerse yourself in the holiday season. *Participants are required to wear masks. Visit our website to review the Mitigation Plan for In-Person Programming.*

To register, visit www.briarbush.org or call 215-887-6603.

Location:	Briar Bush Nature Center Winterthur Museum, Garden, and Library Winterthur, DE
Date:	Saturday, December 4, 2021
Age:	Tailored for Adults and Seniors
Time:	9 AM - 5 PM
Cost:	\$80/participant Discounts may apply.



Notes: Participants will meet at Briar Bush at 8:45 AM. The group will arrive back at Briar Bush by 5 PM. This trip will require walking and standing in order to tour the museum. Choosing weather appropriate clothing and comfortable shoes will contribute to a great experience. Participants are responsible for dining costs. This trip is subject to cancellation due to weather.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

EVENTS AND PROGRAMMING

Library programs for all ages are currently being offered virtually and outdoors. To stay up-to-date on library events, please visit our website event page at <http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org/events>.

Register for an event!

Abington Free Library: Register online at www.abingtonfreelibrary.org.

Roslyn Branch Library: Register online at www.abingtonfreelibrary.org or email Meg Mitchell at mmitchell@mclinc.org.

CONTACT US!

Online: <http://www.abingtonfreelibrary.org/contact>

Email: abingtonlibrary@mclinc.org

Phone:

- Abington Branch: 215-885-5180
- Roslyn Branch: 215-886-9818

For general questions or information, please visit our website at www.abingtonfreelibrary.org. Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) @AbingtonLibrary!



ABINGTON CHILDREN'S EVENTS

VIRTUAL DOGGONE GOOD READERS

Practice reading aloud to a registered therapy dog on Zoom! Online registration begins September 7, 2021 at abingtonfreelibrary.org. Children do not have to participate in all four sessions.

Location:	Online via Zoom
Date:	Tuesdays: September 21, 2021 October 19, 2021 November 16, 2021 December 14, 2021
Time:	7 - 7:35 PM
Ages:	Grades 1 - 5

FAMILY STORY SAFARI

"Abington Library Kids Go Wild in the Jungle!" Join storyteller Don Dougherty on an exciting trek through the jungle. Bring lawn chairs – and your imagination! A snack and make-at-home craft will be provided. Online registration begins September 7 at abingtonfreelibrary.org.

Location:	Abington Free Library - North parking lot
Date:	Saturday, September 25, 2021
Time:	10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Ages:	3 and up, attending with parents/caregivers

FALL STORY TIMES

Will resume on weekdays in September. Dates, times, and formats to be announced.

More children's programs (including our popular Virtual Art Workshops) are in the works. Please check abingtonfreelibrary.org/events or follow us on social media for updates on our fall programs.

ABINGTON TEEN EVENTS

HOW TO CREATE A COLLEGE LIST

Teens, is creating a list of potential colleges overwhelming? Unsure of where to even start? You and your parents are invited to join Debbie Blume, owner of Blume College Consulting, LLC, for an event to help you in your college search. Register online.

Location:	Online via Zoom
Date:	Tuesday, September 28, 2021
Time:	7 PM

COMING SOON: AB-TAB & Q CREW

AB-TAB: The Teen Advisory Board (AB-TAB) is a group of teens who participate in and influence the functioning of the library, especially for teen programming and library materials. AB-TAB is a forum to have your opinions and suggestions heard, expand your leadership skills, and earn volunteer service hours. AB-TAB meets monthly during the school year. Meetings will start in fall 2021.

Q CREW: LGBTQ+ teens and allies are invited to join the Q Crew! Hang out with new friends and discuss the past, present, and future of LGBTQ+ issues in a safe space. Meetings will start in fall 2021.

Register at abingtonfreelibrary.org/events or contact YA Librarian Sara Huff at 215-885-5180, ext. 113 or shuff@mclinc.org.



ABINGTON ADULT EVENTS

THE RUTH AND ROBERT ABEL MEMORIAL BOOK AND FILM DISCUSSION GROUP

Wednesdays from 7 to 8 PM. Led by Dr. Karen Weekes. Register online for these Zoom meetings.

September 15 - *Nomadland*

The author chronicles her time embedded in a pool of transient older Americans who have taken to the road in late-model RVs, travel trailers, and vans, forming a growing community of nomads, migrant laborers who call themselves "workampers." - (Baker & Taylor)

October 20 - *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins

También de este lado hay sueños. On this side, too, there are dreams.

Lydia Quixano Pérez lives in the Mexican city of Acapulco. She runs a bookstore. She has a son, Luca, the love of her life, and a wonderful husband who is a journalist. And while there are cracks beginning to show in Acapulco because of the drug cartels, her life is, by and large, fairly comfortable...

November 17 - *Klara and the Sun* by Kazuo Ishiguro

Waiting to be chosen by a customer, an Artificial Friend programmed with high perception observes the activities of shoppers while exploring fundamental questions about what it means to love. By the Nobel Prize-winning author of *Never Let Me Go*. - (Baker & Taylor)

FINDING LOST ANCESTORS AFRICAN AMERICAN GENEALOGY

Presenter Dean Henry, a representative of The African American Genealogy Group, began recording his family history over 30 years ago. He is also a member of the Afro American Historical and Genealogical Society, the Association of Professional Genealogists, and the National Genealogical Society. In addition to being an Adjunct Professor at LaSalle University, Mr. Henry is also the Founder and Owner of Family Pearl LLC (www.familypearl.com).

Location:	Online via Zoom
Date:	Monday, October 11, 2021
Time:	7 PM

A CONVERSATION WITH LORENE CARY

A Conversation with Lorene Cary, award winning Philadelphia author and playwright, most recently of the play *My General Tubman* and the book *Ladysitting*, which she is adapting for the stage as well. This will be a virtual event. We also hope to be able to host a small audience in person. Stay tuned.

Location:	Online via Zoom
Date:	Wednesday, November 10, 2021
Time:	7 PM

ROSLYN LIBRARY PROGRAMS

STITCH AND CHAT

Bring your handcraft projects to work on with others. COVID restrictions may change. Please check the library website or call ahead if you have questions.

Location:	Roslyn Library
Date:	Fridays, 1 PM - 3 PM

3-D PENS

Sign up for fifteen minutes of time to create plastic designs using our 3-D pens. Time and supplies allow for a simple shape, a bike decoration, backpack decoration, etc.

Location:	Roslyn Library
Date:	Fridays, 4 PM - 4:45 PM
Ages:	7 to 10 years old with an adult, 11 to 12 years old on their own or with a helper

ART ADVENTURES

Pick up your kit to make at home. Stop into the Roslyn branch to pick up a sampler set of air-dry clay, cardboard crafts, and other materials to experiment with at home. Sets will be given out as long as supplies last. No registration necessary.

Pick up Location:	Roslyn Library
Date:	Thursday, September 16, 2021
Ages:	4 to 10 years old

CODES AND SECRET MESSAGE

Pick up your kit to make at home. Code books, UV pens and ink, and instructions for invisible writing. Reserve your kit online starting October 18 then pick it up at the Roslyn Branch November 1 - 6, 2021.

Pick up Location:	Roslyn Library
Date:	Reserve your kit online starting October 18. Kits given out November 1 - 6.
Ages:	2nd through 5th grades

MICROGREENS - HEALTHY AT HOME

Pick up your kit to make at home. Keep greens growing all year. Perfect for small spaces and those who miss their garden in the winter. Kits contain growing medium, seeds, and directions to make two crops of vegetables. You supply a small plastic container or the library can supply a recycled container.

Pick up Location:	Roslyn Library
Date:	Reserve your kit online starting October 25 Kits given out week of November 8
Ages:	Adults, Teens, Children ages 10 and up

LOCAL PARKS

FACILITIES & AMENITIES

	Tennis Courts	Swimming Pools	Basketball Courts	Play Fields (Football or Baseball)	Soccer Fields	Nature Areas	Playgrounds	Grills	Ice Skating
ALVERTHORPE 498 Forrest Avenue	X(L)	X	X(L)	X		X	X	X	
ARDSLEY Tennis & Jefferson Ave.	X		X(L)	X	X		X		
ARDSLEY WILDLIFE SANCTUARY Maple & Jefferson Ave.						X			
BAEDERWOOD Highland Ave.							X	X	X(L)
BOY SCOUT GAME PRESERVE Meadowbrook & Valley Rd.						X			
BRIAR BUSH 1212 Edge Hill Road						X			
CONWAY 911 G Avenue				X(L)	X(L)				
CRESTMONT 2595 Rubicam Ave.	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X	X		X		X(L)
ELK STREET 419 Elk Avenue							X		
ETHEL JORDAN Jenkintown Rd. & Osceola Ave.			X	X			X		
EVERGREEN MANOR Luken and Phipps Ave.						X	X		
FOX CHASE MANOR 717 Fox Chase Rd.						X			
HALLOWELL 1900 Kenmore Ave.				X	X				
JACKSON Sherwood Ave.						X			
KAREBROOK Cox & Valley Rd.						X			
LORIMER PARK 183 Moredon Rd.	Montgomery County Park, please visit www.montcopa.org/972/Lorimer-Park for more information.								
MANOR WOODS Forrest & Douglass Ave.						X			
MEADOWBROOK BIRD SANCTUARY 1633 Washington Lane						X			
NORTH HILLS/ DENNIS DOUGHERTY Tennis and Pine Ave.				X			X		
PENBRYN 300 Houston Ave.	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		X(L)
ROCKWELL Rockwell & Stratford Ave.				X			X		
ROSLYN 818 Anzac Ave.	X		X(L)	X(L)	X(L)		X		
ROYCHESTER 1837 Harding Ave.	X		X(L)	X			X	X	X(L)
RUBICAM Rubicam & Franklin Ave.			X(L)	X			X		

(L) Indicates facility is night lighted.

Patrick Kerr Memorial Skateboarding Facility

Located in Roslyn Park, Patrick Kerr Skate Park is open everyday, weather permitting, from 11 AM to dusk. If the gates are locked, the park is closed. All users must wear a helmet at all times while in the skate park. Use of the facility is at your own risk. For more information regarding the park including skate and bike park rules and its history, please visit www.abingtonpa.gov/skatepark



Roslyn Park



Baederwood Park



Ardsey Park



ALVERTHORPE PARK

LOCATION: 498 Forrest Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
HOURS:

- FALL: September 7 - October 3, 2021: 8 AM - 8 PM
- WINTER: October 4 - March 6, 2022: 8 AM - 5 PM
- SPRING: March 7 - April 24, 2022: 8 AM - 8 PM
- SUMMER: April 25 - September 5, 2022: 8 AM - 10 PM

CONTACT: 215-884-6538

Please Note: Alverthorpe Park is open to Township residents ONLY. To access the park, a form of identification showing residency is required. Residents are able to bring non-resident guests.

Bike Pike

The 1.7 mile bike pike travels around the park's activity areas and through its natural areas, providing a scenic and pleasant trip. The bike pike is open year-round weather permitting.

Fishing

Resident fishing tags are available for purchase - \$4*. For more information, please contact the Control Building in Alverthorpe Park, Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM at 215-884-6538. *Price is subject to change in 2022

Wading Pool

The facility located in Alverthorpe Park's preschool area is available to Abington Township residents 5 years of age and under at no charge. The wading pool area opens for daily use beginning Saturday, June 25, 2022 and closing Labor Day, September 5, 2022. The hours of operation are from 10 AM to 6 PM daily. There is a maximum of 35 people allowed inside the pools fenced in area.

Miniature Golf

The 18-hole miniature golf course is open to Abington residents and their guests. The course is open weekends from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning Memorial Day weekend. It opens daily from 10 AM to 9 PM beginning June 21st ending September 5. Mini-golf will be open on weekends only from 10 AM to 7 PM in September. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Weekdays (10 AM - 5 PM)	\$4*
Weeknights, Weekends, & Holidays	\$4*

*Prices are subject to change in 2022



Par-Three Golf

The Par-3 golf course remains open year round for a fee, weather permitting. Greens fees are as follows:

		Player	Senior
Weekdays (8AM- 5 PM) Fees*	9 - holes	\$7	\$4
	18 - holes	\$9	\$5
Weekends & Evenings Fees*	9 - holes	\$8	\$8
	18 - holes	\$10	\$10
Additional 9-holes*		\$2	\$1 (weekday only)

NOTE: Golfers MUST be 7 years of age or older to play. Golfers 7-13 years may play, but MUST be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older and must have their own golf clubs. Children under 7 years of age are not permitted on the course.

*Prices are subject to change in 2022

Tennis Courts

Weeknights: Court reservations may be made after 5 PM in person or by phone at Alverthorpe Park. Courts will be held for 15 minutes past starting time unless a call is made stating party will be late (no reservation fee).

Weekends/Holidays: Court reservations will be taken after 12 PM on Wednesdays. Non-refundable Weekend/Holiday reservation fee: \$1. Court time limited to 1.5 hours. One resident must accompany each non-resident guest. Those wishing to use courts prior to scheduled time will be charged the full court fee.

Times and Fees:

Each time period will be limited to 1.5 hours beginning at 8:15 AM. The last time slot begins at 8:15 PM.

	Player		Child* /Senior	
Type	Singles	Doubles	Singles	Doubles
Everyday (10 AM - 5 PM) Fees**	\$5/crt	\$8/crt	\$2/crt	\$3/crt
Reservation Fee	\$1			

* Children ages 12 years and younger

** Prices are subject to change in 2022

FACILITY RENTALS

Please call 215-576-5213 for rules and regulations related to the use of each facility.

ALVERTHORPE PARK

498 FORREST AVENUE, JENKINTOWN, PA 19046

Contact Information: 215-884-6538

Reservations for 2022 will be accepted starting January 3rd at 8 AM. Reservations may be made in person at the Alverthorpe Control Building or by phone at 215-884-6538. **Please note, reservations must be made by an Abington Township adult resident. The guests attending a reservation do not need to be Abington residents.** For questions, please call 215-884-6538.

	Time	Cost **	Bathrooms on-site	Private Parking
Picnic Shelter	Full Day (9 AM - 9:30 PM)	\$300 (\$275*)	Yes	Yes, 50 spaces
	Half Day (9 AM - 3 PM and 4:30 PM - 9:30 PM)	\$270		
Mini-Golf Pavilion	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$230 (\$205*)	No	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$200		
Pre-School Pavilion	Full Day (10 AM - 7 PM)	\$205 (\$180*)	Yes	No
	Half Day (10 AM - 2 PM and 3 PM - 7 PM)	\$175		
Camp Sites (approx. 8 available)	Check-out is by 4:00 PM Max of 4-day stay	\$15 per site, \$20 deposit required for camping keys ***	No	Yes
Picnic Tables (approx. 60 available)	9 AM - 9 PM (Apr. 26 - Sept. 6) 9 AM - 5 PM (Mar. 1- Apr. 25 & Sept. 7 - Oct. 3)	\$5 per table	No	No

* A discounted rate is available between 9/7/21 - 10/3/21 & 3/7/22 - 4/24/22.

** Prices are subject to change in 2022.

***No charge for bonafide scout organizations; deposit is returned when keys are returned to control building.



Mini-Golf Pavilion



Picnic Shelter



Pre-School Pavilion

ARDSLEY COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER

2828 SPEAR AVENUE, ARDSLEY, PA 19038

Monday - Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM (closed 1 - 2 PM)

Contact information for availability, pricing and questions: 215-576-5213 or jsweeney@abingtonPA.gov

CLASSROOMS

Size: Vary, classrooms hold up to 25 people.

Availability:

- Tuesday, Wednesdays, and Thursdays: 9 AM to 8:45 PM

Pricing*: \$12/hour

CAFETERIA

Size: 20 x 50 sq. ft., can fit approximately 80 people

Availability:

- Year-round
- Monday - Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

Pricing*:

- Large events such as weddings, concerts, etc.: \$75/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals, 1-time rentals: \$13/hour
- Kitchen rentals: \$40/day

GYMNASIUM

Size: 50 x 80 sq. ft., capable of seating 400 - 500 people

Availability:

- Monday-Sunday: 9 AM to 11 PM

Pricing*:

- Large events such as weddings, concerts, etc.: \$95/hour
- Weekly rentals such as organizational rentals: \$15/hour

Activities held in the gym include sports leagues, concerts, classes and more!

**Prices are subject to change in 2022.*



CRESTMONT CLUBHOUSE

2595 RUBICAM AVENUE, WILLOW GROVE, PA 19090

Contact Information for availability and pricing: 215-576-5213

CLUBHOUSE

Rentals of the clubhouse are exclusive to Abington residents ONLY.

This beautiful space can be used for events such as birthday parties, bridal showers, workshops, networking parties, etc.

Size: The facility can hold up to 85 people.

Availability:

- Monday- Sunday: 9 AM - 10 PM



RECREATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The following groups along with area colleges and churches, provide organized recreation in Abington Township. If you would like your organization to appear on our list, please contact our office at parksinfo@abingtonpa.gov.

Local Scouts Groups

Group	Contact	Phone/Email
Abington/Rockledge Cub/Boy Scouts Pack 1	Patrick Kelly	pkelly1776@gmail.com
Abington Troop 1	Jennifer Clark	trooponeabington@gmail.com
Abington Troop 7	Jenn Vincent/ Jim Amons	jenntwontz@verizon.net/ jamons@bensalemsd.org
Girl Scouts of Southeastern PA (www.gsep.org)	Annette Montante	jagmonta@gmail.com
Glenside Pack 48	Ron Schmidt	glensidepack48@outlook.com
Glenside Troop 48	Joe Stuckert/ Bob Hughes	stuckertelec@aol.com/ eggy4@comcast.net
Overlook Hills Pack 72	Sherry Sutton	charlaynesutton@comcast.net



Athletic Organizations

Organization	Website	Phone/Email	Address
Abington Fall Softball		razz663@aol.com, 215-663-9440	733 Seminole Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Abington Raiders Football & Cheerleading	http://www.abingtonraiders.org/		P.O. Box 280, Abington, PA 19001
Abington-Roychester Baseball	https://www.abington-roychesterbaseball.com/		
AC United Soccer	www.acunited.org	215-385-2825	P.O. Box 1065, Roslyn PA 19001
Ardsley- North Hills Athletic A.A.	www.anhaa.org		
Crestmont Community Summer Basketball League (ages 8+)		215-432-3177	P.O. Box 74, Glenside, PA 19038
Dolphins Community Aquatics Association (DCAA)	www.dcaaswimming.org	info@dcaaswimming.org	
East Abington Little League	www.eastabingtonll.org	215-663-8191	642 Kirkwood Avenue, Jenkintown, PA 19046
Glenside Gaelic Club	www.glensidegaelicclub.com	bpgallagher@hotmail.com	P.O. Box 824, Glenside, PA 19038
Glenside Youth Athletic Club	www.gyac.org	gyac@gyac.org	
Hunter Soccer Club	www.huntersc.com		P.O. Box 355, Glenside, PA 19038
Abington Area Womens Softball League		ron00524@comcast.net 267-934-6180	
Roslyn Boys and Girls Club	www.rbgclub.org		P.O. Box 1043, Roslyn, PA 19001
Saint John of the Cross Crusader Football	www.crusaderfootball.org		2812 Phipps Avenue, Willow Grove, PA 19090

PUBLIC WORKS UPCOMING EVENTS

TRASH CLEAN OUT WEEK

During trash clean-out weeks, the Township will collect everything you place in your trash cans PLUS any additional normal trash placed in store bought refuse bags you put out with your regular trash on your SCHEDULED trash collection day. The bags should weigh no more than 30 lbs. NO electronics, hazardous waste, construction material or large items will be accepted.

Date:	Scheduled trash collection day October 4 - October 8, 2021
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SHREDDING EVENT

Residents of Abington Township are encouraged to bring personal and confidential documents and files to Abington Township's FREE shredding event. No need to remove binder covers, paper clips or staples. All material will be recycled. NO businesses. Abington Township residents ONLY.

Location:	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
Date:	October 16, 2021 and April 23, 2022
Time:	9 AM - 12 PM
Cost:	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY. NO BUSINESSES.

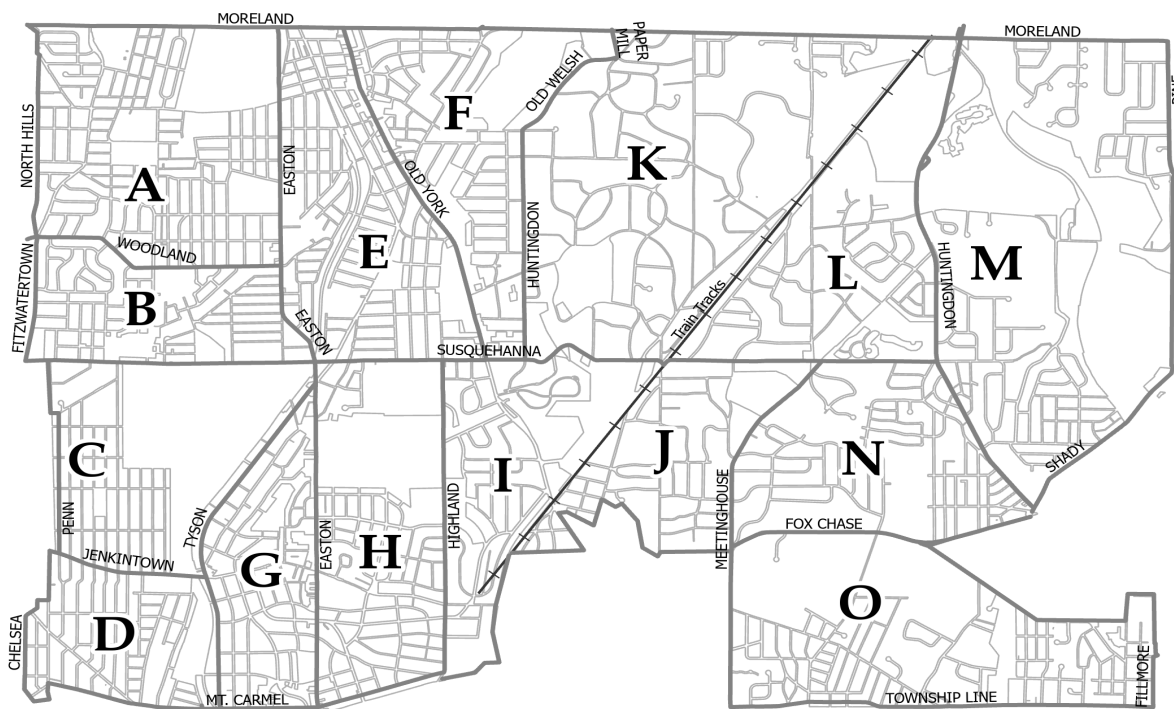
ELECTRONICS COLLECTION

Abington Township is proud to offer their residents the opportunity to responsibly recycle obsolete electronics. We partner with eForce Compliance for this event. This service is available to residents of Abington Township ONLY. PLEASE NOTE: There is a cost for TV's and monitors.

Location:	2201 Florey Lane, Abington, PA 19001
Date:	November 13, 2021 and February 26, 2022
Time:	9 AM - 12 PM
Cost:	FREE. ABINGTON RESIDENTS ONLY.



LEAF COLLECTION MAP



FIRST COLLECTION AREAS

October 25 - October 29	Areas A, B, E, G, H, I
November 1 - November 5	Areas C, D, F, M, N, O
November 8 - November 12	Areas J, K, L

SECOND COLLECTION AREAS

November 15 - November 19	Areas G, H, I
November 22 - November 26	Areas A, B, E
November 29 - December 3	Areas C, D, F, J
December 6 - December 10	Areas M, N, O
December 13 - December 17	Areas K, L

Leaves should be placed curbside by each Monday of the designated week of pickup. The Department will make every attempt to maintain the schedule, but residents should be prepared for delays due to inclement weather. Conversely, there will be times when the collection runs smoothly thereby enabling a jump start on the next area. If this is the case, the vacuum machines will return on Monday for the scheduled collection.

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION COVID- 19 ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE FORM

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH PROGRAM.

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. Abington Township has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. However, Abington Township cannot guarantee that you or any minors in your care will not become infected with COVID-19 by participating in any of the activities offered by the Township, including but not limited to, Parks and Recreation, Public Works, and/or the Library. Further, participation and attendance with any Abington Township programs or activities could increase your, or any minors in your care, risk of contracting COVID-19.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING-- PLEASE SIGN AND INITIAL WHERE INDICATED

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk for myself and/or for any minors in my care that may be exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 by participation in Abington Township's activities, programs, or events and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death;

INITIALS: _____

I understand that the risk of becoming exposed to, or infected by, COVID-19 at any Abington Township location may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself and others, including, but not limited to, Abington Township, its employees, volunteers, agents, representatives program participants and their families;

INITIALS: _____

I voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury to myself and any minors in my care: including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, death, illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense of any kind, that I or minors in my care may experience or incur due to COVID-19 in connection with my participation with Abington Township;

INITIALS: _____

On behalf of myself and minors in my care, I hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless Abington Township, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. I understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of Abington Township, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation with Abington Township.;

INITIALS: _____

On behalf of myself, I hereby agree to indemnify ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives from and against any and all loss, liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, expenses of any kind, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of participation in the _____. I understand and agree that this provision includes Claims based on actions, omissions, or negligence of ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, its employees, volunteers, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in the ABINGTON TOWNSHIP program _____.

INITIALS: _____

In the event that I, or a minor in my care, files a lawsuit, I agree to do so in the state of Pennsylvania and I further agree that the substantive law of that state shall apply. I agree that if any portion of this agreement is found to be void or unenforceable, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

INITIALS: _____

By signing this document, I agree that if I, or a minor in my care, is exposed or infected by COVID-19 during participation with Abington Township, then I, or any minor in my care, may be found by a court of law to have waived my right or the rights of any minor in my care to maintain a lawsuit against the parties being released on the basis of any claim for negligence.

INITIALS: _____

If I have signed a separate release of liability for myself or any minor in my care connected to participation with Abington Township, I agree that the terms of that waiver are wholly incorporated into this document and that the terms of this document are incorporated into the separate release of liability waiver.

INITIALS: _____

Participant Name (Print): _____ Date: _____

Participant Signature: _____

If participant is a minor,

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____

Parent/guardian must sign here. Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAM PARTICIPANT LIABILITY WAIVER AND RELEASE

I acknowledge that I voluntarily have applied, for myself and/or any additional family members or minors in my care, to participate in program(s) and/or events offered by the Township of Abington.

I understand that participation in such program(s) involves risk of injury. I understand these risks are entirely my responsibility. I expressly assume these risks. In particular, I am aware of the risks and hazards inherent upon entering the program area(s) and I choose to voluntarily enter the premises, knowing the conditions might become more hazardous and/or dangerous for myself and I voluntarily assume all such risks, loss, damages, or injury that may be sustained by my participation.

By signing this release of liability and participating in the program(s), and in consideration for being permitted to participate in the program(s), I do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and/or for any additional family members and minors in my care for whom I am submitting a registration, fully and forever release, indemnify, and discharge Abington Township and their officers, officials, departments, and other representatives and their heirs, administrators, successors and assigns, from any and all manner of action, cause of action, suits, debts, accounts, controversies, damages, claims and demands whatsoever, which I or my legal representative, and/or any minors in my care may have or acquire against Abington Township and their officers, agents and other representatives, by reason of any loss resulting from personal injury or damage to personal property belonging to me and/or any minors in my care which may occur during or by reason of my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, participation in the program(s), whether the same be known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated. I fully and forever release and discharge Abington Township and their volunteers and vendors, employees and agents from any and all negligent acts and omissions in the same. I hereby grant Abington Township and any of its officials, officers, agents and other representatives full authority to take whatever action they may consider to be warranted regarding my, and/or any additional family members' or minors' in my care, health and safety, and I fully release Abington Township, its officials, officers, agents and other representatives from any liability for such actions taken on my behalf or on behalf of any additional family members or minors in my care.

I understand that no health and/or accident insurance is provided by Abington Township. I also understand and agree, for myself, and/or for any minors in my care, that I am solely responsible for the cost and expense for furnishing medical or other insurance to cover any expenses related to any such personal injuries or property damage.

Please check each program the participant is registering for:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> 60+ Tennis |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I9 Sports 2022 Spring Basketball League | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickleball 101 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I9 Cheerleading Clinic | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Watercolor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Watercolor | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Drop and Shop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Craft Night | <input type="checkbox"/> Abington, Pennsylvania - 100 Years Ago |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner's Camping Workshop | <input type="checkbox"/> History of Willow Grove Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Theatre Arts Workshops | <input type="checkbox"/> Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soccer Shots | <input type="checkbox"/> Trunk-or-Treat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aikido | <input type="checkbox"/> California Rail Discovery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Introductory Tennis | <input type="checkbox"/> Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta |

Adult Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Adult Participant Signature: _____

If participant is a minor, parent/guardian must sign below:

Youth Participant Name (Print): _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

PARKS & RECREATION REGISTRATION FORMS

Parent/Guardian: First Name			Last Name		
Address			Email		
City			State		Zip Code
Home Phone ()			Cell Phone ()		
Emergency Phone ()			Emergency Contact		
Participant		Birth date		Program Name/Date/Time/Session	
First	Last	Mo	Day	Year	Fees

Medical Information, special needs, (e.g., Allergies or other medical restrictions, issues, etc.) - if additional space is needed, attach information to application.)

General Recreation Programs: Please make check or money order payable to: Abington Township and mail to Abington Township Parks & Recreation, 515 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046.

Briar Bush Nature Center Programs: Please register online at www.briarbush.org or make check or money order payable to: **Friends of Briar Bush** and mail to: BBNC, 1212 Edgehill Road, Abington, PA 19001

Refund Policy: A 20% service fee will be charged for all refunds. Request must be made at least five (5) business days before a program / thirty (30) days before a trip is scheduled to begin. Refunds will not be issued once the program begins. For Briar Bush Nature Center's refund policy, please visit www.briarbush.org.

Photo Policy: On occasion, we may take photos or video of individuals enrolled in programs or using parks facilities. Please be aware that these images are for Township use and may be used in future promotional materials.

X

Parent/Participant Signature

FORM OF PAYMENT - OFFICE USE ONLY

Total Fee \$ _____ Date _____

CASH* CHECK # _____ MONEY ORDER # _____ VISA* MASTER CARD* DEBIT CARD* (*IN PERSON)

PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION FORM

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Address			Email		
City			State		Zip Code
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SOCIAL MEDIA



FACEBOOK: @AbingtonTownship



TWITTER: @AbingtonPA



INSTAGRAM: @abingtontownship

VIDEOS & TELEVISION

Abington Township offers a government access channel for residents who would like to view Township news, event information, and recorded meetings. Information runs 24 hours a day.

COMCAST CHANNEL 43

VERIZON CHANNEL 24

Board of Commissioners meetings can be viewed anytime at www.abingtonpa.viebit.com.

E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to receive Abington Township's monthly electronic newsletter at www.abingtonpa.gov/newslettersignup.

MEETING AGENDAS

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WEBSITE

Main: www.abingtonpa.gov

Police: www.abingtonpd.org

Fire: www.abingtonfd.org

Library: www.abingtonfreelibrary.org

Briar Bush: www.briarbush.org

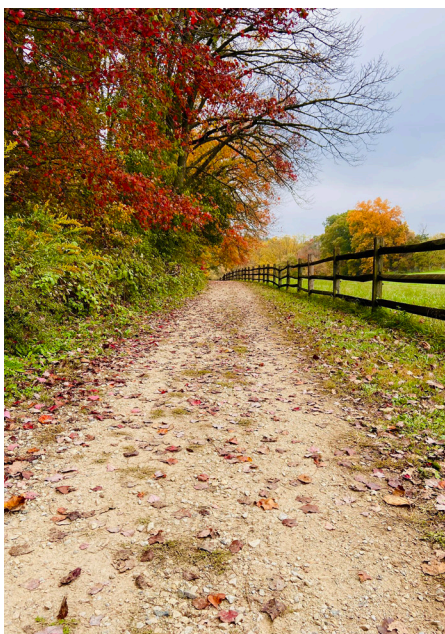


2021 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS!



Community & Special Events (Adult Winner)

Keith Boggi - Pre Pandemic Fete



Natural Areas & Parks (Adult Winner)

Jenna McCormick - Lorimer Park



Favorite Places (Adult Winner)

Lisa Hanna-Castaldi -

Visit to Meadowbrook Farm



Overall Charm & Character of Abington (Youth Winner)

Trish Carney Brugger - Monroe Neighbors Flags



Natural Areas & Parks (Youth Winner)

Allison Levitt - North Hills Playground



Groups of People (Adult Winner)

Gerald Scheel - Abington Graduation '18



Overall Charm & Character of Abington (Adult Winner)

Gerald Scheel - 4th of July Celebration

CHECK BACK REGULARLY FOR UPDATES!

This document will be updated electronically at www.abingtonpa.gov/2021FallGuide with any changes in programming or new offerings. To stay up to date on Township activities, please visit:

- www.abingtonpa.gov
- www.briarbush.org
- www.abingtonfreelibrary.org